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March 29, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger
Chair
Committee on Appropriations
H-307, The Capitol
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$1,000,000 in funding for the Smith Street Pedestrian At-Grade Railroad Crossing Safety Improvement Project in Fiscal Year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Union City, 34009 Alvarado-Niles Road Union City, CA 94587.

The Smith Street At-Grade Railroad Crossing Improvement Project is part of a larger BART Pedestrian At-Grade Crossing Project, which will provide direct access to Union City BART Station that cross Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) tracks from its east side.

The at-grade crossing at Smith Street is located between three distinct residential neighborhoods. Alvarado Elementary and Itliong-Vera Middle School are both located less than 1000 feet from the railroad crossing and serve this large community with many residents walking and biking through the railroad tracks each school day.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,



Eric Swalwell
Member of Congress

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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing,
Development, and Related Agencies
House Committee on Appropriations
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Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Mike Quigley
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing, Urban
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member Quigley:

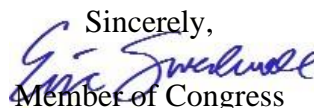
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The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will significantly improve access and safety at the Smith Street crossing. The new BART access will serve commuters from the east side of BART where almost a thousand new housing units have been approved. This project will facilitate access to transit for many new and existing residents and has been a City Council Priority for decades. The safety and access improvements will provide for better connectivity between neighborhoods, schools, business districts, leisure, and recreational areas and will reduce the tremendous risk taken by users each time they cross the railroad tracks.

The project has a Federal nexus in relation to chapter 53 of title 49 of the U.S. Code because the project provides funding to support public transportation; improves the development and delivery of capital projects; establishes standards for the state of good repair of public transportation.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Member of Congress